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Support for City Council Item 601: "Consideration of Comprehensive Actions to Address Economic and Social Impacts from the Coronavirus."

San Diego— I voted today to support the drafting of an ordinance in line with Governor Newsom's "Executive Order to Protect Renters and Homeowners During COVID-19 Pandemic." The order does not relieve a tenant from the obligation to pay rent, nor does it restrict the landlord's ability to recover rent that is due. When I review the proposed ordinance, I will be looking to ensure fairness for both property owners and tenants.

Congress is considering direct financial assistance to those individuals impacted by this emergency as we speak.

The state and counties are considering property tax deferrals. We must make sure the funding is identified before an ordinance is considered by Council.